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Part 1: Site Description

1.1.1. Location

Manor Vale is situated on the northern edge of Kirkbymoorside at National Grid Reference SE 693 872. It is reached from Dale End to the south, passing the North Yorkshire County Council Highways Depot. Footpaths from Gillamoor Road and Castlegate Lane lead into the site. Map 1 shows the site boundaries.

Manor Vale lies entirely in the Civil Parish of Kirkbymoorside in the district of Ryedale, North Yorkshire.

Ryedale District Council is the local planning authority. North Yorkshire County Council is the relevant authority regarding Public Rights of Way.

1.1.2. Summary description

Manor Vale is a narrow, Y-shaped dry valley cut into the Jurassic strata of the Tabular Hills which form the southern fringe of the North York Moors. It is located at the northern edge of Kirkbymoorside, within easy reach of the town centre.

The limestone slopes of the Vale support semi-natural ash woodland with characteristic plants including field maple, wych elm, dog's mercury, wood speedwell, wood anemone and primrose. A number of uncommon plants of limestone woodlands occur including green hellebore, toothwort and lily-of-the-valley. Two areas of more acidic woodland featuring species such as oak, rowan, silver birch, bilberry and greater woodrush mark outcrops of sandstone. Small areas of limestone grassland can be found at Low Knoll and along the break of slope at the eastern edge of the site.

The site supports a range of birds characteristic of mature broadleaved woodland including Redstart and Nuthatch. Insects include the very rare flower beetle *Oedemera virescens*, a species associated with ancient woodland and parkland on the southern fringes of the North York Moors.

Manor Vale was formerly part of a mediaeval deer park. The remains of a wall and Scheduled Ancient Monument, are located in the south-east corner of the site adjacent to Castlegate Lane.

Manor Vale is extensively used by the local community for quiet recreation and has open public access. It is owned and managed by Kirkbymoorside Town Council.

1.1.3. Tenure, management arrangements, rights of way and easements.

The site is owned in freehold by Kirkbymoorside Town Council, having been purchased from Mr.J.H.Holt in April 1993 with grant aid from Ryedale District Council and North Yorkshire County Council.

Following acquisition of the site, a Management Committee was established comprising representatives of Kirkbymoorside Town Council, Ryedale District Council, Ryedale Naturalists' Society and Ravenswick Estates. Other members may be co-opted by the committee as required.

An initial draft management plan was produced in 1993 (see Appendix 2). This divided the wood into three compartments. Compartment 1 is the area west of the road, Compartment 2 is the area East of the road and Compartment 3 includes Low Knoll. To avoid confusion this report uses the same compartment boundaries.

The sporting rights to the wood are held by the Ravenswick Estate. Kirkbymoorside Gold Club holds responsibility for the upkeep of the road and, by mutual agreement, periodic cutting of the road verges. Short-term use by the club of a small area of open ground for overflow car parking has been agreed by the Manor Vale Management Committee.

The site is not subject to a Woodland Grant Scheme or other management agreement.

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Public Rights of Way follow the road from Dale End to the golf club, the track through Low Knoll and a path along the eastern boundary of the wood. In practice, there is open public access to the site throughout the year.

Easements for the utilities supplying the golf club are shown on map 3.

1.1.4 Map coverage

Ordnance Survey 1: 10,000 Sheet SE 68 NE

Ordnance Survey 1: 50,000 Sheet 100 (Malton and Pickering)

Geological Survey of England and Wales: 1: 50,000 – Sheet 53 (Pickering)

1.2 Environmental information

1.2.1 Physical environment

Manor Vale is one of a series of valleys cutting north to south through the southern foothills of the North York Moors, known as the Tabular Hills. The underlying rocks are Corallian formations of the Upper Jurassic period, laid down in warm, shallow seas over 150 million years ago (Rayner & Hemingway, 1974). These consist of inter-bedded limestones and sandstones, which can give rise to quite complex stratification of the overlying soils, especially on valley slopes. The vegetation in Manor Vale suggests that the soils are predominantly lime-rich (calcareous) although there are distinct areas on the upper slopes where acidic and lime-deficient soils overlie outcrops of sandstone. Quarried (and natural?) rock exposures occur in several places.

The valley bottom is located at around 80 m. AOD with the top of the slopes at around 110m. AOD.

Mean annual rainfall in this area is around 750-800 mm.

1.2.2 Ecology

1.2.2.1 Vegetation

Most of the site supports semi-natural (i.e. unplanted) woodland. Ash is the dominant canopy tree with common oak and wych elm more patchily distributed. Field maple is widely but thinly scattered whilst sycamore is mainly confined to the southern and northern ends of the wood, although saplings occur more widely. Self-sown beech saplings occur very locally. Oak tends to become more frequent towards the top of the valley slopes, often with some holly in the understorey, marking a transition to less lime-rich soils.

The structure of the woodland is variable, ranging from 'high forest' with a continuous canopy of tall trees and little understorey through to shrub-dominated areas and dense stands of young ash. Spindly thickets of even-aged hawthorn at Low Knoll (Compartment 3) probably results from rapid scrub growth following the cessation of grazing. Hazel is locally distributed in the understorey throughout the wood and although there are some large, old specimens there is little indication of past coppice management. Blackthorn and elder occur in places, probably marking areas which have been disturbed.

Dog's mercury is the most abundant herb with wood anemone, pignut, enchanter's nightshade, primrose, wood speedwell, sweet violet and common dog violet found frequently through most of the wood. Ramsons, bluebell, wood sorrel, yellow pimpernel, sanicle, wood melick, wood false-brome and male fern are more localised whilst wild arum, goldilocks, buttercup, early dog violet, herb Robert, hairy St. John's wort, bugle, tussock grass, wood sedge and broad buckler fern occur occasionally.

Other species have a localised but very distinct distribution. Hard shield fern grows almost exclusively in rocky areas on the western side of the valley. Intermediate avens (a hybrid between wood avens and water avens) is locally abundant on damp ground at the foot of the slopes. Early purple orchid appears to be confined to Low Knoll. Lily of the valley, woodruff, green hellebore and toothwort have been recorded from single locations within the site.

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Towards the northern end of Compartment 1, there is a marked transition to more acidic woodland on the upper slope (area A on Map 2). This is characterised by oak, silver birch and rowan with greater woodrush, downy woodrush, wavy hair-grass and bilberry in the field layer. Associated species include bitter vetch, wood sorrel and slender St. John's wort. A massive specimen of sessile oak stands at the edge of the wood.

A second pocket of acidic woodland is located towards the brow of the slope in Compartment 2 (Area E). This comprises a mixture of common oak and silver birch, some holly, honeysuckle, rowan and scattered gorse bushes. The herb flora here includes tormentil, betony, devilsbit scabious, heath bedstraw, slender St. John's wort, bitter vetch and sweet vernal grass.

Small areas of limestone grassland are found adjacent to Low Knoll (within the golf course boundary) and alongside the footpath following the eastern edge of the wood (Area D). An additional area occurs just north of the site boundary, on a bank adjoining to the footpath leading towards High Park Farm. Species characteristic of this type of grassland include lady's bedstraw, cowslip, common birdsfoot trefoil, salad burnet and quaking grass.

A clearing occupies the valley floor at the northern end of Compartment 1 (area C on Map 2). This supports coarse grassland with cocksfoot, false-oat, tussock grass, hogweed, stinging nettle and spear thistle.

An old hedgerow runs along part of the eastern boundary of the wood, containing wych elm, hazel, field maple, blackthorn, holly, ash and oak.

176 species of flowering plants and ferns have been recorded from Manor Vale in recent years (see Appendix 3).

Mr. D.H. Smith has surveyed the lichen flora of Manor Vale (see Appendix 2 for species lists). No scarce species have been found but a number of interesting epiphytic lichens grow on tree trunks and branches.

1.2.2.2 Plant communities

The National Vegetation Classification (NVC) provides a standard ecological description of British plant communities (Rodwell, 1991) and is now widely used in site survey and assessment.

The majority of the site supports ash-field maple-dog's mercury woodland, coded W8 in the NVC. This is the typical semi-natural woodland found on freely-draining, lime-rich soils in lowland England. Ancient stands have a characteristically rich flora and have often been managed by coppicing in the past, although there is little evidence of this at Manor Vale.

Area contains oak-birch-wavy hair grass woodland (W16), a community of well-drained, very acid, nutrient poor soils. This marks an outcrop of sandstone with thin, very lime-deficient soil. Ash and dog's mercury are absent whilst bilberry, wavy hair-grass and sessile oak¹ are particularly characteristic species of this type of woodland. Oak-birch-wavy hair-grass woodland is widespread on steep valley slopes within the North York Moors National Park (Jerram et al, 1998) but of very localised occurrence in lowland Ryedale.

Area E is similar but lacks bilberry and wavy hair-grass; this stand is not easy to place in relation to the National Vegetation Classification.

¹ One massive sessile oak stands at the edge of this area. A brief examination of oaks in the wood as a whole suggests that the majority are common oak but a proportion are hybrids between the common and sessile species.

1.2.2.3 Fauna

The 1993 Management Plan lists 38 birds recorded during the preceding ten years and considered to be probable or possible breeders. Many of these are typical woodland species such as Great Spotted Woodpecker, Tawny Owl, tits and finches. More localised species include Marsh Tit, Nuthatch,

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Redstart and, most notably, Pied Flycatcher. A further ten species are listed as having been seen in or around the wood but not considered to be breeding (e.g. winter visitors such as Fieldfare and Redwing).

Further survey is required to update this information, and particularly to assess the current status and distribution of the more localised breeding species.

Little information seems to be available on mammals. Roe Deer are reported to pass through occasionally. Species noted in 1998 include Mole, Grey Squirrel, Bank Vole and Rabbit.

Mr. D.H. Smith has compiled species lists for several Orders of invertebrates (see Appendix 4). Most notable amongst these is the flower beetle *Oedemera virescens*, which was collected on buttercup flowers in May 1993.

This is an extremely localised insect with its British stronghold in ancient wood-land in the Jurassic limestone valleys on the southern edge of the North York Moors, between Rievaulx and Pickering (Hyman & Parsons, 1992; Hammond & Crossley, 1996). *Oedemera virescens* is thought to develop as a larva in dead wood, the adults visiting flowers to obtain nectar. The presence of a number of other insects associated with dead wood or ageing trees is noteworthy; these include the Cardinal Beetle, *Pyrochroa serraticornis*, and the Wasp Beetle, *Clytus arietis*.

1.2.3. Archaeology and land use history.

Archaeological interest centres on the site of Neville Castle, located at the south-eastern edge of Manor Vale (grid.ref. SE 6946 8694). The castle and associated remains were excavated over several seasons between 1962 and 1974 and the findings published (see Dornier, 1967 and Williams, 1977). The later excavations were funded by the Department of the Environment in advance of building development on part of the castle site.

12th Century pottery shards suggest a long history of human occupation of the castle site with a timber-framed hall established there from around 1300. The original buildings were occupied until the late 15th or early 16th Century then demolished to make way for a more substantial hunting lodge.

This lodge, Neville Castle, replaced Stuteville Castle (a moated enclosure on Vivier's Hill, 500 m. to the east) as the seat of Manor of Kirkbymoorside, held by the Neville family. This was a high status dwelling of domestic rather than defensive or military purpose, and comprised a set of stone buildings surrounding a courtyard.

By around 1600 the castle had fallen into disuse, the seat of the Manor having been transferred to High Hall, some 200 m. to the south. Rimington (1977) states that the castle was dismantled in 1616 to provide building material for High Hall.

Neville Castle was attached to a pre-existing deer park enclosing an area between Park lane and the Gillamoor Road with a perimeter of 3.75km. Low and High Park Farms are reminders of this, the former probably being the original park warden's residence (Rimington, 1977). The presence of a deer park is of considerable ecological as well as historical interest, since these enclosures often protected areas of natural woodland and provided a link between the prehistoric 'wild wood' and the modern landscape. Manor Vale lay within the park pale (perimeter) and ancient woodland here may be a vestige of the mediaeval landscape.

Oak timber from Kirkbymoorside park was sent to repair Meaux Abbey near Beverley in the early 12th Century. Rimington (1970) mentions that Baldwin de Wake owned the Kirkbymoorside park in the 13th Century and in 1282 it was said to be "of a league in circuit and to contain seven score beasts". In 1570, the park was described as adjoining the site of the Neville Castle, being

"...very well planted with wood and timber, wherein large laundes² and is well replenished with fallow deer and containeth in compass two miles and a half in measure and CLXXVII acres, wherein one Keeper, William Bankes, which hath stipend yearly of LX s., VIII d..." (cited in Rimington, 1977)

² glades kept open for grazing deer

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The park was shown as an enclosure on Saxton's Map of Yorkshire of 1577 and John Speede's map of the North and East Ridings of 1610. By the 17th Century however, most of the park had been turned over to agriculture, presumably coinciding with the dereliction of Neville Castle.

More recent land use does not appear to be well-documented. Quarrying has clearly taken place within Manor Vale and the amount of woodland has probably varied over time. The present County Council highways depot is located in a former quarry cutting. More small-scale quarrying has taken place in the north of the wood.

Photographs of the northern end of the Vale, taken ca. 1911, are on display at Kirkbymoorside Golf Club. At this time the Vale formed part of the course and was open 'park' woodland, presumably grazed by sheep. The photographs show that there was little undergrowth, at least in the northern part of the wood, but some of the mature trees still stand today. This indicates that the wood has not been clear-felled during the present century and there has probably been a long continuity of mature timber habitat .

Part of the site was used by the army during World War II, with nissen huts present in the early 1940s.

For a period up until the 1960s, part of Manor Vale continued to be grazed by live-stock. Evidence of this can be seen around Low Knoll where there has been dense, even-aged regeneration of thorn scrub after grazing ceased.

Although there are a number of old hazel stools within the wood, there is no evidence of coppicing during the recent history of the site.

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Part 2: Evaluation

2.1 Conservation status

2.1.1. Nature conservation

Part of Manor Vale Wood (including Spring Wood to the north west) is mapped as Ancient Semi-natural (ie. unplanted) Woodland in English Nature's Ancient Woodland Inventory (Philips, 1994). The whole of Manor Vale can be characterised as ancient semi-natural woodland, although Spring Wood is largely planted with ash, beech and sycamore.

In April 1995, Ryedale District Council included Manor Vale Wood amongst a list of Nature Conservation Sites of District Importance in the draft Ryedale Local Plan. This does not confer statutory legal protection (as in a site of Special Scientific Interest) but Local Plan policies aim to protect such 'second tier' sites against damaging development. These sites also receive priority in terms of practical support for conservation management.

2.1.2 Archaeology

Neville Castle was originally scheduled as an Ancient Monument in December 1962 and this designation was amended in April 1974.

In January 1998, English Heritage proposed amending the Scheduled Monument boundaries to include the exposed mediaeval masonry within Manor Vale. Section 1 of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act (1979) applies.

2.2 Evaluation of nature conservation interest

It is useful to evaluate the nature conservation interest of the site in order to identify important features and management objectives. Well-established criteria are set out in A nature conservation review (Ratcliffe, 1977) are followed in this section and their implications for management are discussed. Management recommendations are given in italics.

2.2.1 Size

Small sites may be vulnerable to the effects of neighbouring land use (e.g. intrusion of urban development, drift of agricultural chemicals). At around 6.5 ha., Manor Vale is a relatively small woodland but its location in a valley limits the impact of adjoining land use.

2.2.2 Diversity

For a small woodland site, Manor Vale supports a high diversity of plantlife, with nearly 180 flowering plants and ferns recorded in recent years.

Although most of the woodland is calcareous ash wood (NVC community W8), small areas of acidic woodland, limestone grassland, scrub and the clearing south of Spring Wood add to the diversity of habitat within the site boundaries. There is considerable diversity of woodland structure which reflects the varied landform of Manor Vale and the absence of commercial forestry management, which tends to create uniformity. Important features which contribute to habitat diversity are marked on Map 2.

The existing range of habitats and vegetation structure should be maintained. This requires minimal management of the woodland but periodic mowing of the grassland areas is necessary to prevent these becoming overgrown and eventually reverting to scrub. Occasional cutting or at least removal of invading scrub will be necessary to maintain the open glade below the golf club (Area C).

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A small area of open, rocky slope toward the northern end of Compartment 1 (area B on Map 2) has been identified as supporting a particular diverse flora. Occasional removal of saplings is necessary to maintain this feature.

2.2.3 Naturalness

Ryedale is relatively rich in ancient woodlands (see Weston, 1994) but the majority of these have been replanted with non-indigenous species such as sycamore, beech or conifers. Even in semi-natural woodlands (those where native tree species such as ash or oak predominate), recent management has often resulted in unnatural uniformity, typically with nearly all the trees of a similar age, little variation in canopy structure and very few, in any, old trees. Manor Vale is unusual in that it appears to be relatively natural with no evidence of recent replanting. Important features include

- * a varied age structure (see 1993 Management Plan, p2)
- * varied canopy structure
- * the presence of old trees and dead wood
- * a predominance of indigenous species
- * ample natural regeneration of the principal tree and shrub species³.

Less natural features include an abundance of dense, even-aged hawthorn on Low Knoll (Compartment 3), probably resulting from rapid scrub growth after grazing ceased.

The 'naturalness' of Manor Vale Wood contributes much to the character of the site, its appeal to local people and its value to wildlife. Maintaining its natural qualities should be a key consideration in all management decisions.

³ Ash regeneration is abundant with holly seedlings locally frequent on the upper slopes. Regeneration of wych elm and oak is localised. Small numbers of saplings or young plants of field maple, hazel, sycamore and beech were noted in 1998.

Large scale felling and replanting is inappropriate and natural regeneration will ensure the continuity of the habitat for the foreseeable future. If natural regeneration of individual species is considered poor, seedlings can be protected with tree tubes or rabbit guards to promote survival and competing vegetation can be cut back.

At present there is no need for additional planting. If this should be considered necessary in future, transplants from within the site or other local woodlands should be used, or nursery-grown stock of locally-native provenance⁴.

Trees should be allowed to age naturally since aged trees provide one of the most important habitat features in woodland. The presence of dead and decaying timber is part of this natural process and should not be removed except where it presents a safety hazard. Where removal of hazardous timber is necessary, lopping, crown reduction, pollarding or leaving a standing bole should be considered in preference to felling.

Thinning of dense hawthorn growth on Low Knoll will help restore a more balanced vegetation structure and allow canopy trees to re-establish as well as benefiting the ground flora.

Areas thinned within the past few years are already supporting a rich and attractive ground flora. Potentially invasive species such as Japanese knotweed, beech and sycamore, which are not indigenous to this site, should not be allowed to spread.

2.2.4. Rarity

None of the flowering plants or ferns recorded from Manor Vale are nationally scarce although lily of the valley is described as rare in the context of the North York Moor National Park (Sykes, 1993). This species, along with sessile oak, green hellebore, toothwort, woodruff, greater woodrush and hard shield fern are uncommon or very local in Ryedale district (outside the National Park).

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The beetle *Oedemera virescens* has its British stronghold in old woodland on the southern edge of the North York Moors. This is a 'Red Data Book' species⁵, classed as Vulnerable (RDB2), i.e. likely to become endangered in Britain if existing populations decline.

The special needs of rare, threatened or declining species should be considered. Oedemera virescens is probably associated with the presence of dead or decaying timber and the adults visit hawthorn blossom and flowers such as buttercups to obtain nectar (Hyman & Parsons, 1992).

Allowing trees to age naturally, retaining dead wood (where safety permits), keeping a fringe of open-grown hawthorn bushes and other flowering shrubs around the woodland edge and maintaining flower-rich glades will benefit this and many other woodland insects.

⁴Imported stock, even of native species, may be unsuited to the local climate, soils, pollinating insects etc. Also, commercially-grown stock is often selected for timber value, uniform growth form or other attributes which are not appropriate to semi-natural woodland.

⁵Red Data Books are inventories of rare or threatened species, compiled in Britain by the Joint Nature Conservation Committee.

2.2.5 Fragility

Woodlands such as Manor Vale with a long continuity of natural vegetation cover, undisturbed by modern forestry practices, are now scarce. Although there are many ancient woods in Ryedale, Manor Vale is one of the few that have not been managed for intensively for timber production.

Clear-felling and replanting, spread of invasive species (e.g. sycamore, Japanese Knotweed) and excessive trampling could all disturb the ecology of the site. However, small scale management (eg. removal of hazardous trees for safety reasons, thinning of limited areas, clearance of some hawthorn scrub) is beneficial in maintaining open areas and encouraging a diverse vegetation structure. Present levels of recreational use have only a very localised impact and the paths provide open verges used by woodland-edge species.

Large scale management operations are inappropriate on this site. Potentially invasive species should be kept under control. Footpaths should be maintained to encourage use of well-defined routes. Quiet recreation (e.g. walking, dog-exercising) is an important – and welcome – use of the wood but more damaging activities (e.g. mountain biking) should be discouraged.

2.2.6 Typicalness

Manor Vale Wood is fairly typical of semi-natural ash woodland (NVC community W8) in Ryedale. Such woodlands are a very distinctive feature of the limestone valleys on the southern fringe of the North York Moors, and make an important contribution to the special landscape character of northern Ryedale.

2.2.7 Recorded history

The history of Manor Vale is known mainly in relation to the mediaeval deer park, of which it appears to have formed part (see section 1.2.3.). Collation of more recent historical information would be valuable in understanding the heritage of the site and its evolution as a woodland. This could be used in any interpretive or educational material which might be produced in future.

There seems to be little information on the wildlife of Manor Vale until quite recently, although Henry Baines' *Flora of Yorkshire*, published in 1840, mentions frog orchid at this locality. This would suggest that there was some open limestone grassland within the site in the early 19th century.

Local naturalists have kept records of wildlife during 1980s and 1990s, which have been compiled by Mr.D.H. Smith (see Appendix 2). Formal vegetation-based surveys have been undertaken in 1989 (Ryedale Phase 1 habitat survey) and 1993 (Ryedale Woodland Survey). Further botanical survey has been carried out during the preparation of this report (see Appendix 3).

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Research into the history of Manor Vale should be encouraged. Further biological survey should be encouraged to provide additional information on the nature conservation interest of the site, guide management and monitor ecological changes. Specific needs include an up to date survey of breeding birds.

2.2.8. Position in ecological units

Manor Vale is one of a series of ancient valley woodlands distributed along the southern foothills of the North York Moors. The ecological importance of this can be seen in relation to the distribution of the beetle *Oedemera virescens*, which has its British stronghold in these woodlands. Other sites for this species include Ashberry, Castle Hill, Duncombe Park, Rievaulx Woods, the banks of the River Rye downstream of Helmsley and Gundale near Pickering.

On a more local scale, Manor Vale Wood adjoins Spring Wood as well as small areas of limestone grassland and scrub on the golf course boundaries. These add to the ecological interest and diversity of the site and provide additional areas of semi-natural habitat on its periphery.

In addition, the golf course itself contains extensive areas of limestone grassland, scrub, hedgerows and fragments of ancient woodland which provide valuable wildlife habitats to the north of Manor Vale. A nature conservation plan for the golf course is currently in preparation.

Conservation of adjoining areas of semi-natural habitat should be encouraged. Patches of limestone grassland within the golf course boundary at Low Knoll are in urgent need of clearing to prevent scrub invasion.

Manor Vale is one of a series of valley woodlands in the Helmsley-Pickering area and could provide a model for conservation management of similar sites, e.g. through the Ryedale Biodiversity Action Plan.

2.2.9 Potential value

This criterion applies mainly to sites where there is potential to restore, re-create or enhance habitats. At Manor Vale, management is mainly concerned with maintaining the existing interest of the site.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1

flowering plants and ferns recorded at Manor Vale, Kirkbymoorside 1998-99

Scientific name	English name	status
<i>Acer campestre</i>	field maple	o
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	sycamore	l
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	yarrow	vl
<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	ground elder	l
<i>Agrimonia eupatoria</i>	agrimony	r
<i>Agrostis capillaries</i>	common bent	vl
<i>Agrostis stolonifera</i>	creeping bent	l
<i>Ajuga reptans</i>	bugle	l
<i>Alchemilla filicaulis</i> ssp. <i>vestita</i>	hairy lady's mantle	l
<i>Alchemilla xanthochlora</i>	intermediate lady's mantle	r
<i>Allium ursinum</i>	ramsons	lf
<i>Alopecurus pratensis</i>	meadow foxtail	l
<i>Anemone nemorosa</i>	wood anemone	lf
<i>Anisantha sterilis</i>	baren brome	vl
<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	sweet vernal grass	l
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	cow parsley	l
<i>Aphanes arvensis</i>	parsley-piert	vl
<i>Arctium minus</i>	burdock	r
<i>Arenaria serpyllifolia</i>	thyme-leaved sandwort	vl
<i>Arrhenatherum elatius</i>	false-oat	l
<i>Arum maculatum</i>	wild arum	o
<i>Athyrium filix-femina</i>	lady fern	vl
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	daisy	r
<i>Betula pendula</i>	silver birch	l
<i>Brachypodium sylvaticum</i>	wood false-brome	lf
<i>Briza media</i>	quaking grass	l
<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	soft brome	r
<i>Bromus ramosus</i>	hairy brome	o
<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	large bindweed	l
<i>Carex flacca</i>	glaucous sedge	vl
<i>Carex sylvatica</i>	wood sedge	l
<i>Centaurea nigra</i>	common knapweed	vl
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	common mouse-ear	vl
<i>Chamerion angustifolium</i>	rosebay	l
<i>Circaea lutetiana</i>	enchanter's nightshade	lf
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	creeping thistle	o
<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	marsh thistle	r
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	spear thistle	o
<i>Conopodium majus</i>	pignut	lf
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	hazel	lf
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	hawthorn	f/la
<i>Cruciata laevipes</i>	crosswort	l
<i>Cynosurus cristatus</i>	crested dogstail	l
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	cocksfoot	l
<i>Deschampsia cespitosa</i>	tussock grass	o
<i>Deschampsia flexuosa</i>	wavy hair-grass	l
<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>	foxglove	r
<i>Dryopteris dilatata</i>	broad buckler fern	l
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	male fern	lf
<i>Elytrigia repens</i>	couch grass	vl
<i>Epilobium hirsutum</i>	greater willowherb	l
<i>Erophilla verna</i>	whitlow grass	r
<i>Euphrasia nemorosa</i> ag.	eyebright	r
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	beech	vl
<i>Fallopia japonica</i>	Japanese knotweed	vl
<i>Festuca gigantea</i>	giant fescue	vl
<i>Festuca ovina</i>	sheep's fescue	r
<i>Festuca rubra</i>	red fescue	l
<i>Filipendula ulmaria</i>	meadowsweet	lf
<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	wild strawberry	o
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	ash	a/ld

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<i>Galium aparine</i>	cleavers	o
<i>Galium saxatile</i>	heath bedstraw	vl
<i>Galium verum</i>	lady's bedstraw	l
<i>Geranium pratense</i>	meadow cranesbill	l
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	herb Robert	o
<i>Geum urbanum</i>	wood avens	lf
<i>Geum x intermedium</i>	hybrid avens	lf
<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	ground ivy	l
<i>Hedera helix</i>	ivy	la
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	common rockrose	r
<i>Helleborus viridis</i>	green hellebore	r
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	hogweed	lf
<i>Holcus lanatus</i>	Yorkshire fog	l
<i>Holcus mollis</i>	creeping soft-grass	vl
<i>Hyacinthoides non-scripta</i>	bluebell	lf
<i>Hypericum hirsutum</i>	hairy St John's wort	l
<i>Hypericum pulchrum</i>	slender St John's wort	vl
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	holly	l
<i>Lamium album</i>	white deadnettle	r
<i>Lapsana communis</i>	nippewort	o
<i>Lathraea squammaria</i>	toothwort	r
<i>Lathyrus montanus</i>	bitter vetch	vl
<i>Lathyrus pratensis</i>	meadow vetchling	vl
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	honeysuckle	l
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	common birdsfoot trefoil	l
<i>Luzula campestris</i>	field woodrush	r
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	downy woodrush	l
<i>Luzula sylvatica</i>	greater woodrush	la
<i>Lysmachia nemorum</i>	yellow pimpernel	o
<i>Malus sp.</i>	apple	r
<i>Matricaria discoides</i>	pineapple weed	r
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	black medick	r
<i>Melica uniflora</i>	wood melick	l
<i>Mercurialis perennis</i>	dog's mercury	a
<i>Mycelis muralis</i>	wall lettuce	r
<i>Myosotis arvensis</i>	field forget-me-not	r
<i>Myosotis sylvatica</i>	wood forget-me-not	r
<i>Oxalis acetosella</i>	wood sorrel	l
<i>Petasites hybridus</i>	butterbur	vl
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	timothy	r
<i>Pilosella officinarum</i>	mouse-ear hawkweed	vl
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	ribwort	vl
<i>Plantago major</i>	greater plantain	o
<i>Poa annua</i>	annual meadow-grass	o
<i>Poa trivialis</i>	rough meadow-grass	l
<i>Polystichum aculeatum</i>	hard shield fern	l
<i>Potentilla anserina</i>	silverweed	l
<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	tormentil	l
<i>Potentilla sterilis</i>	barren strawberry	o
<i>Primula veris</i>	cowslip	vl
<i>Primula vulgaris</i>	primrose	lf
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	blackthorn	l
<i>Quercus petraea</i>	sessile oak	r
<i>Quercus robur</i>	common oak	o/lf
<i>Quercus x rosacea</i>	hybrid oak	?r
<i>Ranunculus auricomus</i>	goldilocks buttercup	lf
<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i>	bulbous buttercup	vl
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	lesser celandine	lf
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	creeping buttercup	lf
<i>Ribes rubrum</i>	red currant	r
<i>Ribes uva-crispa</i>	gooseberry	r
<i>Rosa canina agg.</i>	dog rose	o
<i>Rosa arvensis</i>	field rose	o
<i>Rubus fruticosus agg.</i>	bramble	l
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	raspberry	vl
<i>Rumex acetosa</i>	common sorrel	l
<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>	broad-leaved dock	o
<i>Rumex sanguineus</i>	wood dock	l
<i>Salix caprea</i>	goat willow	r
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	elder	o
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i>	salad burnet	l

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<i>Sanicula europaea</i>	sanicle	l
<i>Scabiosa columbaria</i>	small scabious	vl
<i>Scrophularia nodosa</i>	common figwort	r
<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>	ragwort	r
<i>Silene dioica</i>	red campion	vl
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	perennial sow-thistle	r
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	prickly sow-thistle	r
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	rowan	l
<i>Stachys officinalis</i>	betony	l
<i>Stachys sylvatica</i>	hedge woundwort	lf
<i>Stellaria holostea</i>	greater stitchwort	l
<i>Succisa pratensis</i>	devilsbit scabious	vl
<i>Tamus communis</i>	black bryony	o
<i>Tanacetum parthenium</i>	feverfew	r
<i>Taraxacum officinale agg.</i>	dandelion	r
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	red clover	l
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	white clover	l
<i>Trisetum flavescens</i>	yellow oat-grass	l
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	gorse	vl
<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	wych elm	o/lf
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	stinging nettle	l
<i>Vaccinium myrtillus*</i>	bilberry	l
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	wall speedwell	vl
<i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>	germander speedwell	l
<i>Veronica montana</i>	wood speedwell	lf
<i>Veronica officinalis</i>	heath speedwell	r
<i>Veronica serpyllifolia</i>	thyme-leaved speedwell	l
<i>Vicia cracca</i>	tufted vetch	r
<i>Vicia sativa</i>	common vetch	r
<i>Vicia sepium</i>	bush vetch	l
<i>Viola odorata</i>	sweet violet	lf
<i>Viola reichenbachiana</i>	early dog violet	o
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	common dog violet	lf

STATUS (within site boundaries):

d – dominant; a – abundant; f – frequent; o – occasional; r – rare; l – local(ly);

v – very.

Additional records of flowering plants

<i>Alliaria petiolata*</i>	garlic mustard	o
<i>Convallaria majalis</i>	lily-of-the-valley	r
<i>Epilobium montanum*</i>	broad-leaved willowherb	o
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	woodruff	r
<i>Geum rivale</i> ¹	water avens	l
<i>Hypochaeris radicata**</i>	catsear	?
<i>Leontodon hispidus**</i>	rough hawkbit	?
<i>Linum catharticum</i>	fairy flax	r
<i>Orchis mascula*</i>	early purple orchid	l
<i>Rumex acetosella*</i>	sheep's sorrel	l
<i>Senecio vulgaris**</i>	groundsel	?
<i>Torilis japonica*</i>	upright hedge parsley	l
<i>Viola hirta*</i>	hairy violet	l

* source: Ryedale Woodland Survey, 20/6/93 (A. Weston)

** source: Phase I survey, 13/9/98

¹ may refer to *Geum x intermedium* – no pure *rivale* could be found in 1998

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APPENDIX 2

The following records were compiled from 1983 to 1995 covering a range of disciplines including some flowering plants discovered since the woodland surveys of 20/6/93 (A.Weston) and 13/9/98. Since the contributors gave of their time freely without claiming any expenses it is only right that acknowledgement be made.

Compiler codes

ag	Andrew Grayson, Kirkbymoorside. 1994	Y.N.U. County Diptera recorder
cs	Clifford Smith, York	Y.N.U. County Recorder
ds	Don Smith, FRES., Kirkbymoorside. 1993-5	Ryedale Natural History Society Recorder.
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jb	John Blackburn, Stockton-on-Tees. May 1995	Y.N.U. County Bryophyte recorder
mr	Michael Rowntree, Kirkbymoorside. 1983-93	
ns	Nan Sykes, Thornton-le-Dale. Aug. 1993	Author of N.Y.M.N.P. Botanical handbook.
rd1	Ryedale District Phase 1 Survey. 13.9.1989	

The compiler takes responsibility for the addition of English names and habitat notes to the records. Identifications have been made by the use of specific keys except for the micro moths, named with the help of a comprehensive reference collection belonging to the late Arthur Smith of York and except for spiders, for which I am grateful to the late Clifford Smith of York, Y.N.U. Recorder, for their identification. Bird records supplied by Michael Rowntree, late of the Manor Vale Management sub-committee: p=present in/around the wood, b=possible/probable breeders. Nan Sykes has considerably extended the original flowering plant list and added some fern species. Andrew Grayson, a local entomologist, has added more insect records and John Blackburn, mosses, liverworts and some additional flowering plants.

Birds

<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	Sparrowhawk	P
<i>Argithalos caudatus</i>	Long-tailed Tit	B
<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	Goldfinch	P
<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	Greenfinch	B
<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	Tree creeper	B
<i>Columba oenas</i>	Stock dove	B
<i>Columba palumbus</i>	Wood pigeon	B
<i>Corvus corone</i>	Carriion crow	B
<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	Rook	B
<i>Corvus monedula</i>	Jackdaw	B
<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	Cuckoo	P
<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	Great spotted woodpecker	B
<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	Robin	B
<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	Kestrel	P
<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	Pied flycatcher	B
<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	Chaffinch	B
<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>	Brambling	P
<i>Motacilla alba</i>	Pied Wagtail	P
<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	Spotted Flycatcher	B
<i>Parus ater</i>	Coal tit	B
<i>Parus caeruleus</i>	Blue tit	B
<i>Parus major</i>	Great tit	B
<i>Parus palustris</i>	Marsh tit	B
<i>Passer domesticus</i>	House sparrow	B
<i>Passer montanus</i>	Tree sparrow	B
<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	Pheasant	P
<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	Redstart	B
<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	Chiffchaff	B
<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Willow warbler	B
<i>Pica pica</i>	Magpie	B
<i>Picus viridis</i>	Green woodpecker	B
<i>Prunella modularis</i>	Dunnock	B
<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	Bullfinch	B
<i>Regulus regulus</i>	Goldcrest	P
<i>Sitta europaea</i>	Nuthatch	B
<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Collared dove	B
<i>Strix aluco</i>	Tawny owl	B
<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Starling	B
<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	Blackcap	B

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<i>Sylvia borin</i>	Garden warbler	B
<i>Sylvia communis</i>	Whitethroat	B
<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	Wren	B
<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	Redwing	P
<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	Fieldfare	P
<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	Mistle thrush	B

Flowering plants (additional)

<i>Arctium minus - ssp.nemorosum</i>	Wood Burdock	jb
<i>Campanula latifolia</i>	Giant bellflower	ns
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebell	ns
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy bittercress	jb
<i>Elymus caninus</i>	Bearded couch	ns
<i>Epilobium obscurum</i>	Short-fruited willowherb	ds
<i>Epilobium roseum</i>	Pale willowherb (small patch)	ds
<i>Knautia arvensis</i>	Field scabious	ns
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	Ox-eye daisy	ds (one plant)
<i>Odontites verna</i>	Red bartsia	ds (on path in C)
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Wild cherry	ns
<i>Spiraea salicifolia</i>	Bridewort (Willow-leaved Spiraea)	ds (one in area C)
<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>	Tansy	ns
<i>Thymus praecox</i>	Wild thyme	ns
<i>Torilis arvensis</i>	Spreading hedge-parsley	ds

Ferns

<i>Dryopteris dilatata</i>	Broad buckler fern	ns
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	Male-fern	ns

Lichens

<i>Amandina(Buellia) punctata</i>	ds - frequent on bark
<i>Calicium viride</i>	ds - occasional & fertile (pin lichen)
<i>Caloplaca citrina</i>	ds - a calcicole, on limestone outcrops
<i>Caloplaca flavescens</i>	ds - ditto
<i>Candelariella reflexa</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Candelariella vitellina</i>	ds - a calcifuge, on dead wood
<i>Chaenotheca ferruginea</i>	ds - frequent on bark, another pin lichen
<i>Cladonia ochrochlora</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Cliostomum griffithii</i>	ds - frequent on bark, fertile
<i>Evernia prunastri</i>	ds - occ; pendulous, on bark
<i>Hypogymnia physodes</i>	ds - frequent on twigs and trunks
<i>Hypogymnia tubulosa</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Lecanactis abietina</i>	ds - frequent on trunks
<i>Lecania cyrtella</i>	ds - on one Crataegus in C
<i>Lecanora albescens</i>	ds - limestone outcrops
<i>Lecanora chlorotera</i>	ds - occasional on branches
<i>Lecanora conizaeoides</i>	ds - abundant
<i>Lecanora expallens</i>	ds - frequent and fertile
<i>Lecanora intumescens</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Lepraria incana</i>	ds - abundant
<i>Lepraria lobificans</i>	ds - on rock face
<i>Leproplacachrysodeta</i>	ds - mustard coloured powdering on limestone outcrops
<i>Melanelia fuliginosa ssp. glabratula</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Melanelia subaurifera</i>	ds - occasional on branches
<i>Ochrolechia androgyna</i>	ds - frequent
<i>Parmelia saxatilis</i>	ds - abundant on branches
<i>Parmelia sulcata</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Pertusaria amara</i>	ds - frequent on bark
<i>Pertusaria hemisphaerica</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Phlyctis argena</i>	ds - occasional (in its original bark habitat)
<i>Physcia adscendens</i>	ds - frequent
<i>Physcia tenella</i>	ds - occasional
<i>Xanthoria candelaria</i>	ds - frequent
<i>Xanthoria parietina</i>	ds - occasional on bark
<i>Xanthoria polycarpa</i>	ds - frequent

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Mosses

<i>Anomodon viticulosus</i>	jb	<i>Isoetecium myurum</i>	jb
<i>Atrichum undulatum</i>	jb	<i>Mnium hornum</i>	jb
<i>Brachythecium rutabulum</i>	jb	<i>Neckera complanata</i>	jb
<i>Bryum capillare</i>	jb	<i>Orthodontium lineare</i>	jb
<i>Calliergon cuspidatum</i>	jb	<i>Orthotrichum affine</i>	jb
<i>Ctenidium molluscum</i>	jb	<i>Plagiomnium undulatum</i>	jb
<i>Dicranoweisia cirrata</i>	jb	<i>Plagiothecium succulentum</i>	jb
<i>Eurhynchium praelongum</i>	jb	<i>Polytrichum formosum</i>	jb
<i>Eurhynchium striatum</i>	jb	<i>Pseudoscleropodium purum</i>	jb
<i>Eurhynchium swartzii</i>	jb	<i>Rhynchostegium confertum</i>	jb
<i>Fissidens taxifolius</i>	jb	<i>Rhytidiadelphus squarrosus</i>	jb
<i>Homalothecium sericeum</i>	jb	<i>Thamnobryum alopecurum</i>	jb
<i>Hypnum cupressiforme</i>	jb	<i>Thuidium tamariscinum</i>	jb
<i>Isoterygium elegans</i>	jb	<i>Tortula muralis</i>	jb

Liverworts

<i>Calopogea fissa</i>	jb	<i>Metzgeria furcata</i>	jb
<i>Lophocolea heterophylla</i>	jb	<i>Plagiochila porelloides</i>	jb
<i>Lophocolea rivularis</i>	jb		

Fungi (larger)

<i>Pleurotus cornucopiae</i>	ds	Oyster mushroom (felled trunk, uncommon)
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Fungi (micro)

<i>Epichloe typhia</i>	ds	white 'Choke' on ?Cocksfoot
<i>Trachyspora ?intrusa</i>	ds	orange rust on Alchemilla

Molluscs

<i>Arianta arbustorum</i>	ds	snail, damp places
<i>Arion ater</i>	ds	large slug, brown form

Spiders

<i>Amaurobius fenestralis</i>	cs	fluffy-web spinner, under bark
<i>Enoplognatha ovata</i>	cs	
<i>Entelecara acuminata</i>	cs	tiny black spider, stalked eyes
<i>Lepthyphantes obscurus</i>	cs	spins a sheet web in bushes
<i>Linyphia peltata</i>	cs	horizontal sheet web
<i>Metellina (Meta) menzei</i>	cs	spins a small orb web in woods, wasteland etc
<i>Pardosa amentata</i>	cs	a ground wolf spider
<i>Pisaura mirabilis</i>	cs	a wandering hunter in woods and heaths
<i>Tetragnatha extensa</i>	cs	a very long-legged grass spider
<i>Tetragnatha montana</i>	cs	
<i>Theridion bimaculatum</i>	cs	a tiny (3mm) meadow spider
<i>Theridion mystaceum</i>	cs	often on tree trunks
<i>Theridion sisypium</i>	cs	bushes and low vegetation
<i>Xysticus cristatus</i>	cs	a crab spider

Harvestmen - Opiliones

<i>Leiobunum rotundatum</i>	ds	abundant, ubiquitous
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Millipedes - Diplopoda

<i>Cylindroiulus punctatus</i>	ds	in a rotting stump
<i>Iulus scandinavicus</i>	ds	rotten wood stump

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Centipedes - Chilopoda

<i>Cryptops hortensis</i>	ds	one of the longer brown centipedes, at least 20 pairs of legs: under bark
<i>Lithobius forficatus</i>	ds	very common, robust brown centipede. Found under bark

Woodlice - Isopoda

<i>Oniscus asellus</i>	ds	very common ubiquitous Isopod
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Silverfish - Thysanura

<i>Dilta hibernica</i>	ds	an unusual species from a stone wall
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Earwigs - Dermaptera

<i>Forficula auricularis</i>	ds	the common earwig
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Dragonflies – Odonata

<i>Coenagrion puella</i>	ag	Azure damselfly
<i>Ischnura elegans</i>	ds	Blue-tailed damselfly

Plant & Water bugs - Hemiptera-Heteroptera

<i>Anthocoris nemorum</i>	ds	abundant flower bug
<i>Calocoris sexguttatus</i>	ds	brightly coloured plant-bug
<i>Dryophilocoris quadrimaculatus</i>	ds	found on oak
<i>Leptopterna dolabrata</i>	ds	meadow plantbug - in various grassy places/moist conditions
<i>Lygus maritimus</i>	ds	common, on a range of host plants
<i>Lygus wagneri</i>	ds	on dock, nettle in clearings & hedgerows
<i>Mecomma ambulans</i>	ds	common among rank vegetation at wood margins
<i>Nabis rugosus</i>	ds	the Common Damsel bug - a predator
<i>Orthops campestris</i>	ds	feeds on many Umbelliferae
<i>Orthops kalmi</i>	ds	ditto
<i>Psallus wagneri</i>	ds	taken on hawthorn, also found on oak
<i>Scolopostethus affinis</i>	ds	taken on nettles
<i>Stenodema laevigatum</i>	ds	from grass in moist localities
<i>Stenotus binotatus</i>	ds	feeds on grasses; Yorkshire at northern limit

Leaf Hoppers - Hemiptera Homoptera

<i>Alebra albostriella</i>	ds	
<i>Aphrophora alni</i>	ds	a large froghopper
<i>Cercopis vulnerata</i>	ds	a brightly coloured red and black froghopper
<i>Cixius nervosus</i>	ds	
<i>Evacanthus nervosus</i>	ds	
<i>Philaenus spumarius</i>	ds	the common 'Cuckoo-spit' froghopper
<i>Stenocranus minutus</i>	ds	

Butterflies - Lepidoptera

<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>	ds	Orange Tip
<i>Aphantopus hyperantus</i>	ds	Ringlet - occasional
<i>Inachis io</i>	ds	Peacock
<i>Maniola jurtina</i>	ds	Meadow Brown
<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	ds	Large Cabbage White
<i>Pieris rapae</i>	ds	Small Cabbage White

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Larger Moths - Lepidoptera (macro)

<i>Colostygia pectinataria</i>	ds	Green Carpet - to light, after dark
<i>Epirrhoe alternata</i>	ds	Common carpet
<i>Hepialus humuli</i>	ds	Ghost moth
<i>Odezia atrata</i>	ds	Chimney Sweeper
<i>Orgyia antiqua</i>	ds	Vapourer moth (the caterpillar stage noted)
<i>Orthosia incerta</i>	ds	Clouded Drab - to light, after dark
<i>Plusia gamma</i>	ds	Silver Y - after dark, at Hogweed
<i>Timandra griseata (amata)</i>	ds	Bloodvein moth - after dark
<i>Xanthorhoe montanata</i>	ds	Silver-ground Carpet - after dark, very common

Smaller Moths - Lepidoptera (micro)

<i>Adela fibulella</i>	ds	
<i>Anthophila fabriciana</i>	ds	
<i>Cydia aurana</i>	ds	
<i>Glyphipterix simplicella</i>	ds	Cocksfoot moth (wing-span 2mm)
<i>Olethreutes lacunana</i>	ds	
<i>Scoparia ambigualis</i>	ds	after dark
<i>Stenoptilia bipunctidactyla</i>	ds	plume moth
<i>Udea olivalis</i>	ds	Olive-brindled Pearl

Scorpionflies & others - Megaloptera

<i>Panorpa germanica</i>	ds	'Scorpionfly'
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Beetles - Coleoptera

<i>Abax parallelopipedus</i>	ds	large, black ground beetle
<i>Agriotes pallidulus</i>	ds	click beetle
<i>Altica sp.</i>	ds	flea beetle
<i>Amara plebeja</i>	ds	small ground beetle
<i>Athous hirtus</i>	ds	click beetle
<i>Cantharis nigricans</i>	ds	soldier beetle
<i>Cantharis pallida</i>	ds	soldier beetle
<i>Cassida viridis</i>	ds	tortoise beetle (on thistle)
<i>Clytus arietis</i>	ds	wasp beetle - a wood borer
<i>Coccinella 7-punctata</i>	ds	7-spot ladybird
<i>Demetrias atricapilla</i>	ds	
<i>Hypostenus similis</i>	ds	predatory 'brachelytra'
<i>Malachius bipustulatus</i>	ds	a predatory flower beetle
<i>Malthodes marginatus</i>	ds	ditto
<i>Oedemera virescens</i>	ds	small wood borer - RDB3 status, at buttercup
<i>Philonthus cognatus</i>	ds	small brachelytra ground beetle with iridescent wingcases.
<i>Phyllobius calcaratus</i>	ds	common metallic green weevil
<i>Propylea 14-punctata</i>	ds	14-spot ladybird - abundant
<i>Pterostichus madidus</i>	ds	very common black ground beetle - pit trap
<i>Pyrochroa serraticornis</i>	ds	Cardinal beetle
<i>Rhynchophora assimilis</i>	ds	weevil, abundant on Alliaria
<i>Sinodendron cylindricum</i>	ds	wood borer, emerging from hole
<i>Sphaeridium lunatum</i>	ds	dung beetle

Sawflies - Hymenoptera/Symphyla

<i>Macrophya ribis</i>	ds	
<i>Tenthredo livida</i>	ds	
<i>Tenthredo mandibularis</i>	ds	larvae feed on Burdock

Ants, Bees & Wasps - Hymenoptera/Aculeata

<i>Ancistrocerus parietinus</i>	ds	potter wasp
<i>Andrena haemorrhoa</i>	ds	mining bee
<i>Andrena jacobi</i>	ds	ditto
<i>Apis mellifera</i>	ds	honey bee
<i>Bombus hortorum</i>	ds	Small Garden Humble-bee
<i>Bombus lapidarius</i>	ds	Large Red-tailed Humble-bee
<i>Bombus lucorum</i>	ag	Small Earth Humble-bee

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<i>Bombus pascuorum</i> (<i>agrorum</i>)	ds	Common Carder Bee
<i>Bombus pratorum</i>	ds	Early Humble-bee
<i>Bombus terrestris</i>	ds	Buff-tailed Humble-bee
<i>Dolichovespula sylvestris</i>	ds	Social wasp
<i>Mellinus arvensis</i>	ds	digger wasp
<i>Nomada flavoguttata</i>	ds	a parasitic nomad bee, breeds in <i>Andrena</i> nests
<i>Nomada marshamella</i>	ds	parasitic nomad bee
<i>Nomada panzeri</i>	ds	ditto
<i>Osmia rufa</i>	ds	the Red Mining bee
<i>Psithyrus bohemicus</i>	ds	Gipsy Cuckoo bee - takes over nest of <i>Bombus lucorum</i>
<i>Psithyrus vestalis</i>	ds	Vestal Cuckoo bee

Craneflies - Diptera

<i>Limonia nubeculosa</i>	ds	small, delicate crane fly
<i>Limonia tripunctata</i>	ds	ditto - wings with 3 spots
<i>Nephrotoma flavescens</i>	ds	yellow & black bodied crane fly
<i>Tipula hortorum</i>	ds	large 'agricultural' crane fly
<i>Tipula lunata</i>	ds	
<i>Tipula variipennis</i>	ds	
<i>Tipula vernalis</i>	ds	

Empids & Asilids - Diptera

<i>Chrysopilus asiliformis</i>	ag	
<i>Dioctria rufipes</i>	ds/ag	robber fly
<i>Empis femorata</i>	ag	
<i>Empis livida</i>	ag	
<i>Empis tessellata</i>	ds	
<i>Empis trigramma</i>	ds	
<i>Hybos grossipes</i>	ds	very small empid
<i>Rhamphomyia atra</i>	ag	
<i>Rhamphomyia sulcata</i>	ag	

'Dollie' flies & rest of the Brachycera - Diptera

<i>Beris chalybata</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Beris vallata</i>	ds	
<i>Bibio johannis</i>	ds	
<i>Bibio lepidus</i>	ds	
<i>Bibio marci</i>	ds	St.Mark's fly
<i>Bibio nigriventris</i>	ds	
<i>Bombylius major</i>	ds	Bee fly - only one seen
<i>Chrysopilus cristatus</i>	ds	
<i>Dilophus femoratus</i>	ds	Fever fly
<i>Dolichopus unguulatus</i>	ds	a common 'dollie'
<i>Microchrysa polita</i>	ds	
<i>Poecilobothrus nobilitatus</i>	ds	handsome 'dollie' with white-tipped wings
<i>Rhagio tringarius</i>	ds	Snipe-fly
<i>Rhaphium appendiculatum</i>	ag	
<i>Sargus flavipes</i>	ds	Soldier fly, breeds in dung

Hoverflies & Conopidae - Diptera

<i>Cheilosia albitarsis</i>	ds	
<i>Cheilosia antiqua</i> - var.A	ds/ag	
<i>Cheilosia illustrata</i>	ds	a hairy <i>Cheilosia</i>
<i>Cheilosia pagana</i>	ag	
<i>Cheilosia variabilis</i>	ds	
<i>Conops quadrifasciata</i>	ag	an internal bumble-bee parasite
<i>Dasysyrphus venustus</i>	ag	
<i>Epistrophe eligans</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Episyrphus balteatus</i>	ds	a regular migrant
<i>Eristalis arbustorum</i>	ag	
<i>Eristalis pertinax</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Eristalis tenax</i>	ag	the Drone-fly

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<i>Melanostoma mellinum</i>	ag	
<i>Melanostoma scalare</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Merodon equestris</i>	ds/ag	Narcissus bulb fly
<i>Myathropa florea</i>	ds	
<i>Neoascia podagrica</i>	ag	
<i>Pipiza noctiluca-form.F</i>	ds	
<i>Platycheirus albimanus</i>	ag	
<i>Platycheirus manicatus</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Platycheirus tarsalis</i>	ag	
<i>Portevinia maculata</i>	ag	
<i>Rhingia campestris</i>	ds/ag	Snout fly
<i>Sericomyia silentis</i>	ag	a large, wasp-like hoverfly
<i>Sicus ferrugineus</i>	ds	internal bumble-bee parasite
<i>Sphegina clunipes</i>	ag	possibly the smallest british hoverfly
<i>Syrirta pipiens</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Syrphus ribesii</i>	ds/ag	
<i>Volucella pellucens</i>	ds/ag	larva scavenges in bees' nests
<i>Xylota segnis</i>	ag	
<i>Xylota sylvarum</i>	ag	

Remainder of Cyclorrhapha - Diptera

<i>Anthomyia pluvialis</i>	ds	a black & white marked muscid fly
<i>Calliphora vicina</i>	ag	a bluebottle
<i>Calliphora vomitoria</i>	ds/ag	the Common bluebottle
<i>Chaetostomella cylindrica</i>	ds	
<i>Cynomya mortuorum</i>	ds	a large, brilliant green blowfly
<i>Dryomyza analis</i>	ds	
<i>Eriothrix rufomaculata</i>	ds/ag	a parasitic tachinid
<i>Euleia heraclei</i>	ds	the Celery fly
<i>Graphomya maculata</i>	ds	a muscid
<i>Gymnochaeta viridis</i>	ds	a large green parasitic fly, larvae internal caterpillar parasites.
<i>Limnia unguicornis</i>	ds	larvae attack snails
<i>Lucilia caesar</i>	ds	Greenbottle
<i>Mesembrina meridiana</i>	ds	a large, black muscid, breeds in dung
<i>Opomyza florum</i>	ds	
<i>Opomyza germinationis</i>	ds	
<i>Orthellia caesarion</i>	ds	a Greenbottle
<i>Pelidnoptera fuscipennis</i>	ds	
<i>Phaonia variegata</i>	ag	
<i>Pherbellia albocostata</i>	ds	
<i>Psila merdaria</i>	ds	
<i>Psila obscuritarsis</i>	ds	
<i>Scathophaga stercoraria</i>	ds	the Yellow dungfly - abundant
<i>Sepsis violacea</i>	ds	
<i>Tephritis ?Pruralis</i>	ds	
<i>Tricholauxania praeusta</i>	ds	
<i>Xyphosia miliaria</i>	ds	larva galls thistle heads

Galls

<i>Dasyneura ulmariae</i>	ds	midge galls on Meadowsweet leaves
<i>Dasyneura urticae</i>	ds	midge galls in axils of Stinging nettle
<i>Eriophyes macrochelus</i>	ds	mite galls on Field Maple
<i>Eriophyes macrorhynchus</i>	ds	red mite galls on Sycamore leaves
<i>Geocrypta gali</i>	ds	midge galls on Galium terminal leaves